

# TRAFFIC SCHOOL INFORMATION

**YOU MUST MEET ALL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS LISTED BELOW.  
YOU MAY ATTEND A DMV CERTIFIED TRAFFIC SCHOOL IN YOUR AREA OF RESIDENCE.  
YOU MUST PAY THE ENTIRE NON-REFUNDABLE FEE BEFORE YOU ATTEND THE CLASS.**

**All fees and proof of correction (if applicable) are due by the arraignment or due date shown on your courtesy bail notice.** The traffic school fee is comprised of the highest bail amount for traffic school eligible violations, plus a \$34.00 State Administrative Fee. **Your check or money order must equal the total non-refundable fee shown on your courtesy bail notice.**

**Traffic School proof of completion is due** 13 weeks for adults (8 weeks for minors) from your original arraignment or due date. Your arraignment or due date and Traffic School completion date are indicated on your courtesy bail notice. No continuances granted.

**You must contact** a Traffic School offered by this court (*list enclosed*) directly to make an appointment, otherwise you are required to attend a **DMV certified** Traffic School. (This will primarily apply to out-of-county defendants.) **YOU MAY OBTAIN A LIST OF OTHER TRAFFIC SCHOOLS THROUGHOUT THE STATE FROM YOUR LOCAL COURT CLERK'S OFFICE.**

**If you fail to submit proof of Traffic School completion to the Court** by the assigned due date, the Court will order your Traffic School fee converted to bail and forfeited with no further proceedings. If you are charged with multiple offenses, you will be required to post additional bail or appear in court. A bail forfeiture is a conviction and will be reported to the Department of Motor Vehicles.

NOTICE: If you are eligible and decide not to attend traffic school your automobile insurance may be adversely affected.

## TRAFFIC SCHOOL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. You must have a **valid driver's license**.
2. You are charged with an infraction that is between §21000 and §28114 of the Vehicle Code which is reportable to the Department of Motor Vehicles, subject, however, to a few exceptions.
3. A defendant charged with any of the following infractions shall **NOT BE ELIGIBLE** to attend traffic violator school:
  - (a) A violation that carries a negligent operator point count of more than one point (VC §12810) or one and one-half points under Vehicle Code section 12810.5(b)(2).
  - (b) A violation that occurs within 18 months after the date of a previous violation and the defendant either attended or elected to attend a traffic violator school for the previous violation (VC §1808.7).
  - (c) A violation of Vehicle Code section 22406.5 (tank vehicles).
  - (d) A violation related to alcohol use or possession or drug use or possession.
  - (e) A violation on which the defendant failed to appear under Vehicle Code section 40508(a), or failed to pay under VC 40508(b), unless the failure-to-appear or failure-to-pay charge has been adjudicated and any fine imposed has been paid.
  - (f) A violation on which the defendant has failed to appear under Penal Code section 1214.1 unless the civil monetary assessment has been paid.

## Procedure

If you meet the eligibility requirements, mail the top portion of your courtesy bail notice with any proof of correction and your check or money order to the return address indicated on your courtesy bail notice. **You must submit your proof of Traffic School attendance to the court** no later than 13 weeks (8 weeks for minors) from the arraignment or due date. You will not receive any further information from this court unless it is found you do not qualify for the dismissal or your request was not completed correctly. If you sign up for Traffic School and it is later discovered you do not meet the above requirements, the bail and fee will be applied to your case and closed with a conviction and no further proceedings will occur.